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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM
Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday: 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Wednesday: 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For registered and practicing parishioners (weekly attendance at Mass) by arrangement with Father Chester. Preparation classes are held at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month. Please call to register.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Engaged parishioners are requested to make arrangements with Father Chester at least one year in advance.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office for a visit for a homebound or ill individual. Call for a prayer intention to be included in the bulletin and/or weekly intentions. Please notify us when someone is hospitalized.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION

Every family should be registered properly. Registration is necessary to qualify for the Religious Education Program and the reception of the Sacraments.

Certificates of eligibility for sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation will be given only to active (weekly Mass attendance) registered parishioners.

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713-4914

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Ellen McCarthy
735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21ST

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22ND

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, AUGUST 23RD

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24TH

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26TH

8:00 AM MASS

6:30 PM GENERAL PICNIC MEETING

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS



We are saddened to announce the death of

John Cryan III, son of
Christine Cryan
who passed away on
July 17, 2021

Readings for the week of August 22, 2021

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Observances for the week of August 22, 2021

Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

Tuesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Wednesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Friday: St. Monica

Saturday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (c)LPI



Our parish offers Online Giving as an electronic tool for contributions so you can give online just like you auto pay your household expenses. Online Giving helps you ensure your offering even if you cannot be here at Mass. Even in times when there are concerns about exposure to disease or spreading of a virus, On-line Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission. Whether you are attending weekly Mass at the parish or worshipping at home, your vital support can still happen regardless of where you are.

Go to (scoschurch.org) and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.

Or sign up at

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/329>



Save the Date!

At 10:30 AM on September 29th

Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the 19th Annual Blue Mass at the

Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen

Gathered together with local, county, state and federal law enforcement officials, we will honor and pray for those law enforcement officials of all faiths, who live and work in the Diocese of Metuchen.

All are welcome to attend. More information will be available in the coming weeks on the diocesan website: www.diometuchen.org.



Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 3:30 PM. Couples who celebrated their Silver or Gold anniversary in 2020 are also invited to attend.

Registration is required. Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>.

If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 7, 2021. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold> or calling 732-562-1543.



St. Catherine's Rosary Society Welcomes New Members

St. Catherine's Rosary Society warmly invites all parishioners to attend our next meeting on **Tuesday, September 7th at 6:00 PM**. Weather permitting, we will meet outside in the Mary Garden or in the Church, where we will pray the Rosary, discuss our plans for the upcoming year and have a time of fellowship.

We are a spiritual and social group, dedicated to increasing devotion to Our Blessed Mother and her Rosary, as well as providing numerous fundraising activities for our parish. Come and get closer to Mary, make new friends, and participate in one of St. Catherine's most vital and rewarding ministries.

For more information, please call Jane Ricketts (908) 399-4985

St. Catherine's Family Mass

Calling ALL St. Catherine's Families...

Come celebrate "FAMILY MASS" on the last Sunday of every month at 9:30 AM, where youngsters serve as contemporary musicians, altar servers, ushers, readers, and offertory helpers.

Join us on August 29th at 9:30 AM for our next Family Mass.



Please contact us at stcathfamilymass@gmail.com to volunteer at any Family Mass.

WEED WHACKERS WANTED!

If you have 1.5 hours a week, to donate your time helping us keep our church beautiful, please contact the office at (908) 735-4024. Also, if more than one person donates his/her time, you might only have to weed whack 1x a month.



Baptism

We are happy to welcome our recently baptized at St. Catherine of Siena:

Melanie Rose Laurencelle,
baptized on August 15, 2021



GENERAL PICNIC MEETING
Thursday, August 26th at 6:30 PM
in the kitchen area

Our next meeting is for anyone interested in helping our picnic to be successful.

We need help, **especially**, with setup on Saturday, September 25th from 9 AM—3 PM and again on Sunday, September 26th from 8 AM—12 PM. Any amount of time you can donate is greatly appreciated.

Don't forget service hours can add up quickly for the youth in Grades 6—8. If you work on Saturday and Sunday for the entire day, you could potentially earn 15 or more hours.

This is going to be a fun weekend of friendship and stewardship. We are hoping this will be an event to be enjoyed and remembered.

Call or text Debbie Fass at 973-222-8100 with any questions. Thank you.



Starting on September 11th,
Family Mass will now be celebrated
twice a month

Second Saturday of every month at 4:30 PM
Last Sunday of every month at 9:30 AM

Children and young adults in the religious education program along with their teacher's will be encouraged to participate as readers, altar servers, assisting with the collection of offerings, bringing up the gifts, and singing in the choir.

Choir practice will begin on September 22nd at 6:00 PM for 1st through 4th grade, and September 29th for 5th through 7th grade in the choir loft. Sunday evening choir for 8th graders will be announced soon.

For more information email Lisa Sforza at lisasforza@embarqmail.com

Mass Intentions

Saturday: August 21, 2021

4:30 PM Sean Hanczaryk
r/o Mike, Stephanie & Michael
Pierce

Sunday: August 22, 2021

8:00 AM Cecelia Mauro
r/o The Pasculli Family

9:30 AM William Battipaglia
r/o John & Pearl Traub

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Monday: August 23, 2021

8:00 AM William Kosycarz
r/o Marlene Kosinski

Tuesday: August 24, 2021

8:00 AM Kay Lydon
r/o William & Marisa White &
Family

Wednesday: August 25, 2021

7:00 PM A Special Intention

Thursday: August 26, 2021

8:00 AM Florence DeLuca
r/o Pat & Patrick Dziubek

Friday: August 27, 2021

8:00 AM Diane Bucciarelli
r/o William & Marisa White &
Family

Saturday: August 28, 2021

4:30 PM Albert Young
r/o The Young Family

Sunday: August 29, 2021

8:00 AM Grace & Stanley Kozal
r/o Their Children

9:30 AM Nick White
r/o Mike, Stephanie, & Michael
Pierce

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

From the Pastor's Desk

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 22, 2021

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary "Lady" and "Queen." Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries addressed Mary as queen: "Hail, Holy Queen," "Hail, Queen of Heaven," "Queen of Heaven." The Dominican rosary and the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's litany celebrate her queenship.

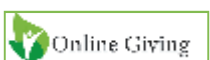
The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical *To the Queen of Heaven*, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

As Saint Paul suggests in Romans 8:28-30, God has predestined human beings from all eternity to share the image of his Son. All the more was Mary predestined to be the mother of Jesus. As Jesus was to be king of all creation, Mary, in dependence on Jesus, was to be queen. All other titles to queenship derive from this eternal intention of God. As Jesus exercised his kingship on earth by serving his Father and his fellow human beings, so did Mary exercise her queenship. As the glorified Jesus remains with us as our king till the end of time (Matthew 28:20), so does Mary, who was assumed into heaven and crowned queen of heaven and earth.

Fr. Chester



The collection for August 15th was \$5,094.48 (101 envelopes) for the general collection.



On-Line Giving for August 15th was \$3,669.50 (117 donors).



<https://www.americaneedsfatima.org/Our-Blessed-Mother/prayer-in-honor-of-the-queenship-of-mary.html>

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